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This chapter is referred to in sections 671a, 1553 of this title; title 2 sections 1302, 1341, 1371, 1434; title 15 sections 2080, 2603; title 25 section 450m; title 30 section 951; title 31 section 1105; title 42 sections 280b-1, 300ee-2, 2297b-11, 4853a, 6971, 7412, 11021, 11022.

§ 651. Congressional statement of findings and declaration of purpose and policy

(a) The Congress finds that personal injuries and illnesses arising out of work situations impose a substantial burden upon, and are a hindrance to, interstate commerce in terms of lost production, wage loss, medical expenses, and disability compensation payments.

(b) The Congress declares it to be its purpose and policy, through the exercise of its powers to regulate commerce among the several States and with foreign nations and to provide for the general welfare, to assure so far as possible every working man and woman in the Nation safe and healthful working conditions and to preserve our human resources—

(1) by encouraging employers and employees in their efforts to reduce the number of occupational safety and health hazards at their